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BY SCREENING FOR HEPCIDIN IN HUMAN : OR ANIMAL TISSUES, BLOOD OR BODY :

FLUIDS AND THERAPEUTIC USES THEREFOR:

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2008, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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